ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

TIME AND PLACE: Monday, April 19, 2021, @ 4:00 p.m.

WebEx or Telephone - Instructions will be provided on

the OZ website by Noon of the Hearing Date¹

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:

Z.C. Case No. 12-01D (The Catholic University of America – Amendment to an Approved Campus Plan and Further Processing of a Campus Plan @ Square 3821, Lot 44)

THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ANCS 5A, 5B, AND 5E

The Catholic University of America (the "CUA") filed an application (the "Application") on January 15, 2021, requesting that the Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia (the "Commission") approve an amendment to, and further processing of, the 2012-2027 Catholic University Campus Plan (the "Campus Plan") approved by Z.C. Order No. 12-01, as amended by Z.C. Order Nos. 12-01A, 12-01B, and 12-01C, pursuant to Subtitle X, Chapter 1, of the Zoning Regulations (Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Zoning Regulations of 2016, to which all references are made unless otherwise specified) to permit construction of a new nursing school (the "Nursing School") on Lot 44 in Square 3821 (the "Property").

The portion of the Property proposed to be affected by the Application is currently improved with a surface parking lot.

The Application

Campus Plan Amendment

The Application seeks to amend the Campus Plan to increase the size of "Building A" by 22,347 square feet from the approved 68,000 square feet to the proposed Nursing School's 90,347 square feet.

Campus Plan Further Processing

The Application requests a further processing under Subtitle X § 101.9 to construct Building A, as amended to house the Nursing School along with a gateway entrance feature on the Property at the southern edge of the Main Campus along Michigan Avenue.

The Application proposes that the Nursing School will have:

- A maximum height of approximately 67 feet 7 inches;
- A footprint of approximately 32,000 square feet;

¹ Anyone who wishes to participate in this case but cannot do so via WebEx or telephone may submit written comments to the record. (See p. 2, *How to participate as a witness – written statements*.)

- Approximately 90,347 square feet of gross floor area, which will increase the overall density of the campus to 0.28 Floor Area Ratio ("FAR") (within the 0.39 FAR permitted under the Campus Plan and the 1.8 FAR permitted in the RA-1 zone district);
- An approximately 22 foot, 1 inch setback from Michigan Avenue; and
- 42 parking spaces, bringing the total number of spaces on the Campus to 1,740 (below the maximum of 1,920 approved by the Campus Plan).

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the contested case provisions of Subtitle Z, Chapter 4, of the Zoning Regulations as well as the text adopted by the Commission on October 15, 2020, in Z.C. Case No. 20-11, as published in the Notice of Final Rulemaking published in the D.C. Register on October 30, 2020.

How to participate as a witness – oral presentation

Interested persons or representatives of organizations may be heard at the virtual public hearing. All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case are **strongly encouraged to sign up to testify at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing** on OZ's website at https://dcoz.dc.gov/ or by calling Donna Hanousek at (202) 727-0789 in order to ensure the success of the new virtual public hearing procedures.

The Commission also requests that all witnesses prepare their testimony in writing, submit the written testimony prior to giving statements, and limit oral presentations to summaries of the most important points. The Commission must base its decision on the record before them. The following maximum time limits for oral testimony shall be adhered to and no time may be ceded:

Applicant and parties in support
Parties in opposition
Organizations
Minutes collectively
minutes each

4. Individuals 3 minutes each

Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 408.4, the Commission may increase or decrease the time allowed above, in which case, the presiding officer shall ensure reasonable balance in the allocation of time between proponents and opponents.

How to participate as a witness - written statements

Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentation, may be submitted for inclusion in the record, provided that all written comments and/or testimony must be submitted to the record at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing, unless approved by the Commission upon request to be introduced at the public hearing. The public is encouraged to submit written testimony through the Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Login.aspx; however, written statements may also be submitted by e-mail to zcsubmissions@dc.gov. Please include the case number on your submission. If you are unable to use either of these means of submission, please contact Donna Hanousek at (202) 727-0789 for further assistance.

How to participate as a party.

Any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must so request and must comply with the provisions of Subtitle Z § 404.1. A party has the right to cross-examine witnesses, to submit proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, to receive a copy of the written decision of the Commission, and to exercise the other rights of parties as specified in the Zoning Regulations. If you are still unsure of what it means to participate as a party and would like more information on this, please contact OZ at dcoz@dc.gov or at (202) 727-6311.

Except for an affected ANC, any person who desires to participate as a party in this case must clearly demonstrate that the person's interests would likely be more significantly, distinctly, or uniquely affected by the proposed zoning action than other persons in the general public. Persons seeking party status shall file with the Commission, not less than 14 days prior to the date set for the hearing, or 14 days prior to a scheduled public meeting if seeking advanced party status consideration, a Form 140 - Party Status Application, a copy of which may be downloaded from OZ's website at: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Help/Forms.html.

"Great weight" to written report of ANC

Subtitle Z § 406.2 provides that the written report of an affected ANC shall be given great weight if received at any time prior to the date of a Commission meeting to consider final action, including any continuation thereof on the application, and sets forth the information that the report must contain. Pursuant to Subtitle Z § 406.3, an ANC that wishes to participate in the hearing must file a written report at least seven days in advance of the public hearing and provide the name of the person who is authorized by the ANC to represent it at the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.

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Do you need assistance to participate? If you need special accommodations or need language assistance services (translation or interpretation), please contact Zee Hill at (202) 727-0312 or Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov five days in advance of the meeting. These services will be provided free of charge.

¿Necesita ayuda para participar? Si tiene necesidades especiales o si necesita servicios de ayuda en su idioma (de traducción o interpretación), por favor comuníquese con Zee Hill llamando al (202) 727-0312 o escribiendo a Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov cinco días antes de la sesión. Estos servicios serán proporcionados sin costo alguno.

Avez-vous besoin d'assistance pour pouvoir participer ? Si vous avez besoin d'aménagements spéciaux ou d'une aide linguistique (traduction ou interprétation), veuillez contacter Zee Hill au (202) 727-0312 ou à <u>Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov</u> cinq jours avant la réunion. Ces services vous seront fournis gratuitement.

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您需要有人帮助参加活动吗?如果您需要特殊便利设施或语言协助服务(翻译或口译),请在见面之前提前五天与 Zee Hill 联系,电话号码 (202) 727-0312,电子邮件 <u>Zelalem.Hill@dc.gov</u> 这些是免费提供的服务。

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